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Mr Richard Schassburger
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re: OU 6 PCB Sampling

Dear Mr. Schassburger

EPA has reviewed your February 11, 1994 submittal of Addendum 1 to the Environmental Evaluation Workplan for OU 6 (Walnut Creek Drainage) concerning PCB sampling. As lead regulatory agency for OU 6, EPA is hereby granting approval to proceed with the fieldwork as described the subject document

Concurrently, this document should be revised in accordance with comments included below, then entered in the public records. Any comments submitted under separate cover by CDH must be addressed to the satisfaction of EPA. We will be working with your staff to resolve outstanding comments and avoid additional submittals prior to the final

While the field program set out in the document appears more than adequate to address the issue of PCB contamination in the A and B-series ponds, the presentation made in the documents needs some work. Our specific concerns are as follows:

1 When finalized, the document should be released as a Technical Memorandum for OU 6 and added to the administrative record. Public notice of it's availability should be made through appropriate means.

2. The introduction does not adequately explain the intent of this effort. In fact, it refers to field work that "may be needed" and "if needed, will be planned". Apparently, this is the work specified for completion in subsequent sections, and someone is very confused.

3 Much of the document is written in professional jargon instead of English. It needs to be translated for public consumption. Section 2.0 is particularly bad in this regard.

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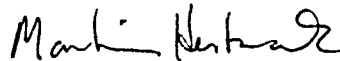


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4 It appears that many of the entries on Table 2 actually represent the detection limit. This should be made clear, as should the relationship between the values in Table 2 and the data presented in Attachment 1, which is not evident by examination of the two

If you have questions or would like to discuss the progress of this effort, please contact Bill Fraser (EPA) at 294-1081

Sincerely,



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